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3 OFFICERS DISCIPLINED OVER RAFAH FENCE ISSUE

By ZEEV SCHUL
 Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent
 TEL AVIV. — Following the unauthorized transfer of some 6,000 Beduin from the Fithah Rasna area, the destruction of some 24 buildings, water holes and the fencing in of over 20,000 dunams of land in the area, three senior Army officers will be reprimanded and one of them transferred from his present post.
 The reprimands were recommended by a three-man committee of investigation (headed by an aluf), appointed by the Chief of Staff the day after he first heard of the Fithah Rafah operation on February 16. The Jerusalem Post learned here yesterday. The names and ranks of the officers involved will not be made public.
 A fourth man, a civilian employed by the military administration, has been found derelict in the carrying out of his duties and he will be charged accordingly. But there were still differences of opinion yesterday as to whether the man could be tried by a military court or whether (Continued on page 10 Col. 3)

GALILI TO THE KNESSET Gaza Strip will not be separated from Israel

By HIRSH GOODMAN, Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter
 Minister without Portfolio Israel Galili told the Knesset yesterday that the Gaza Strip would not again be separated from Israel. He declared that even after peace is achieved, the Israel Government will not allow Gaza's status to be open to question.
 Mr. Galili was replying to three motions for the agenda, tabled by Gahal, the State List and the Free Centre on Mapam's anti-settlement campaign following the fencing off of land in the Rafah area.
 The Government, he said, had taken a stand on the issue several times, and Israel's views had been made clear in international political and diplomatic circles.
 The three motions were struck off the agenda by 43 votes to 25. There were 11 abstentions, including an en bloc abstention vote by the Alignment's coalition partner, the N.R.P. Mr. Mordechai Surkiss, an Alignment Member who has on more than one occasion professed his Greater Israel sympathies, also abstained. Mr. Surkiss and the N.R.P. abstained because they felt that the Minister's reply had not been strong enough in its support for settlement in the areas taken in the Six Day War.
 It is understood the Alignment whip will not take disciplinary action against Mr. Surkiss for defying an earlier decision taken at an Alignment meeting that no Member would abstain. Four other Alignment Members — Mordechai Ben Porat, David Koren, Uzi Feinerman and Mordechai Zar — had also asked permission to abstain, but fell into line after they were refused.
 The N.R.P. was asked by the Coalition Secretariat not to abstain, but after internal consultations the faction decided it could not vote against a resolution which reiterated Israel's claim to a Greater Israel.
 Mr. Galilee said one of the main reasons for the Government's decision to foster settlement in the Gaza Strip was to bring home to inhabitants there that Israel would not leave the area as it did in 1957 at the end of the Sinai Campaign.
 There is no contradiction between settlement and negotiation with the Arabs, he claimed. Israel had stated on more than one occasion that it would not return to the pre-1967 lines, but it had also stated that everything was negotiable, he noted. He asked whether the Arabs, who had been defeated in war three times, expected to



Mr. Galili speaking in the Knesset yesterday.

Brinkmanship that ended well

BRINKSMANSHIP in bargaining, a method which Malta's Prime Minister Dom Mintoff has applied consistently in nine months of hard negotiations interrupted by numerous breakoffs, is on the whole paid off. It is that Mr. Mintoff did not let the annual rental of £18m. for the Malta bases be reduced to £10m. (subsequently reduced to £8m.). But what he obtained far more than Malta was receiving when the Labour leader came to power last summer, amounting to only £5m. per year. It is also much more than Britain's original offer of £9.5m. annual rent.

Now the British and Nato will give him £14m. a year for seven years. The Italians will pay him a lump sum of at least £2.5m. and the Americans, in order to gain facilities for their Sixth Fleet, seem also ready to give an important bilateral aid. If adds to that about £7m. a year in bilateral aid from other countries, Malta will in the coming seven years receive at least £150m., compared to the £10m. it could expect had the agreement remained valid. No wonder that Mr. Mintoff received triumphantly in his entry when he returned after signing the agreement in London. He said the sum Malta will get from the West for the naval bases on the island will cover more than the third of its annual budget, while thousands of jobs — though not as many as Dom Mintoff wanted — will be guaranteed employment. But Mr. Mintoff must be congratulated not only for the gains he brought to an island which has so few natural resources, but for not having fallen over the edge while practising brinkmanship, as quite a few others have. Indeed the Maltese Prime Minister, while dealing skilfully with Tripoli and Moscow to show that he had alternatives to the West, knew how to stop in time and remain safely in a camp to which Malta belongs by tradition and interest. The Libyans may derive some satisfaction from the fact that Malta has promised not to use its naval facilities against any Arab country — but this seemed very improbable in any case and Malta has not become, as might have been feared, a satellite of Libya. More significant is the fact that Soviet ships will not be able to use Malta's naval facilities. That is why the agreement signed in London constitutes a success for the West as well. Britain and Nato did not accept all Mr. Mintoff's demands and the British showed that they were quite serious in their intention of evacuating the land. It was Prime Minister Mintoff, persuaded that he could get no more from the West, who at the last minute decided to go to London and conclude the agreement. One cannot really speak therefore of Western capitulation. On the other hand by giving more than initially intended, Britain and her Nato allies have shown they are quite serious when they say that the Mediterranean is very important for them and that they are ready to make great efforts to prevent the Soviets from further penetrating this strategic island.

Combined with other Western moves, particularly in the eastern Mediterranean, it should be the beginning of a new era of seriousness with which the West views their penetration in this region and its determination to allow them to establish their hegemony over the Mediterranean, Eastern or Western.

ULSTER CRIPPLED BY BIG STRIKE

BELFAST (Reuter). — Northern Ireland ground to a halt yesterday as thousands of Protestants went on strike in a massive protest against direct rule from London. Shops, offices, banks, airports, railway stations — all closed down as an estimated 180,000 of Ulster's 215,000 workers answered the militant Vanguard movement's call for a two-day stoppage.
 Delighted Vanguard officials claimed they had delivered a serious blow to the British plan to take over the province's administration. Britain now knows that its initiative stands no chance of working," claimed a spokesman for the movement. "This is only the beginning. The vast majority of Protestants are never going to cooperate with our new rulers," he added.
 The province maintained its uneasy calm of recent days. There were four minor explosions yesterday but no deaths or serious injuries.
 Earlier, the Irish Republican Army announced a four-week truce in attacks on civilian targets but later retracted this, apparently on orders from Dublin.

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Smallpox being fought in 3 countries

BEIRUT (AP). — Anti-smallpox moves were reported from three countries yesterday.
 In Syria, Damascus radio reported health authorities yesterday launched a vaccination campaign to fight an outbreak of smallpox in the country's northeastern provinces bordering Turkey and Iraq. According to the statement, the smallpox reached Syria from Iraq, sixteen cases have been reported in Beirut.
 In Bulgaria, authorities have closed the busy border crossing point at Dimitrograd because of smallpox in Yugoslavia, the Belgrade daily "Politika" reported on Sunday night.
 In Yugoslavia, sports organizations yesterday decided to cancel all sports events in the country and to vaccinate all active sportsmen. The move came after the appearance of smallpox in the province of Kosovo, where two persons have died.

Bangla Desh to close its Beirut office
 BEIRUT (AP). — Bangla Desh will close its information office in Beirut at the end of this week to protest the failure of the Arab countries to recognize the new state, a Bangla Desh official said today.

State leaven to be sold
 The Director of Public Services in the Ministry of Religious Affairs, Rabbi Dov Cohen, yesterday transferred the State's hametz (leaven) to Chief Rabbi Isaac Yehuda Utermar, for sale to a non-Jew before Pesach. This is in accordance with Jewish law and custom regarding the sale of the hametz during the festival. Details of preparations for the holiday on page 10.



Thousands of Nablis residents yesterday flocked to City Hall to express their support for Mayor Haj Ma'azouh al-Masri (far right) for his decision to stand in today's municipal elections. The picture was shot for The Jerusalem Post by the Nablius photographer Borhan Shahrouri, who himself withdrew from the elections following an arson attempt on his studio Saturday night. (Election story on page 10.)

EGYPT, IRAQ END TALKS—NO UNION

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter
 Egypt and Iraq yesterday concluded talks in Cairo on Baghdad's proposal to set up a union of the two countries and Syria. However, no agreement was reached on the issue.
 It appears, however, that the discussions have settled many of the differences that have been dividing the two countries for several years, especially since the Ba'ath party takeover in Iraq about four years ago.
 In a "press" statement issued after two rounds of talks — headed on the Egyptian side by Vice-President Mahmud Fawzi and for the Iraqis by the Deputy Chairman of the ruling Revolutionary Command Council — the two parties were said to have agreed to "further exchange views on bilateral relations between the two countries."
 The statement did not mention the union proposal, which excluded Libya, a partner with Egypt and Syria, in their own tripartite federation.
 Meanwhile, reports were circulating that Iraq's Kurdish leader, Mulla Mustafa Barazani, had demanded immediate home rule for the Kurds in northern Iraq should Baghdad go into union with any Arab country.
 The Beirut newsletter "The Arab World" said Barazani had warned the Iraqi Government that it was committed to secret provisions in the declaration signed on March 11, 1970, at the end of ten years of fighting between the Kurds and the Iraqis.
 When it was first proposed, the Iraqi plan for an immediate military and political union was thought of as being designed to torpedo King Hussein's plan for a Jordanian-Palestinian federation linking Jordan with the Israel-administered West Bank.
 On this subject, Cairo-semi-official "Al-Ahram" newspaper yesterday said Egypt, Syria, Libya and the Palestinian terrorist organizations were coordinating a joint strategy to fight the Hussein plan. According to the paper, Egyptian President Anwar Sadat has ordered the formation of a special committee "to prepare a comprehensive study on all angles of the Hussein plan."
 Cairo radio last night said that Mr. Sadat yesterday discussed the dimensions of the Hussein plan with Egypt's navy commanders at the Alexandria naval headquarters. The Egyptian President came there from the Mediterranean coastal town of Mersa Matruh, where he had renewed his threats to go to war with Israel.

First four Phantoms delivered: 'Newsweek'
 NEW YORK (Reuter). — "Newsweek" magazine said yesterday the first four of more than 40 Phantom jets promised to Israel by President Nixon have been delivered.
 The magazine added, "Arrivals will stay at about four a month for some time, then drop to two a month. The first arrivals bring Israel's total fighting Phantoms to 76, plus six others fitted for reconnaissance" the magazine said.

Eban: No parts made with Jordan
 Foreign Minister Abba Eban said again last night no agreement had been made between Israel and Jordan. He made the statement in reply to a question at a meeting of a unit of the Labour Party's Youth Division in Jerusalem.
 Asked about a report in a French newspaper of "secret agreements" between the two countries, Mr. Eban noted that King Hussein himself had denied their existence, "and we are not going to come forward and intimate that King Hussein is not telling the truth."
 Mr. Eban added that Israel is exploiting every opportunity of advancing the cause of peace, and is passing on to neighbouring Governments — by various channels — its views.

AMIN: WORK WITH ARABS TO REOPEN SUEZ CANAL

KAMPALA (Reuter). — President Idi Amin, having ordered the expulsion of Israelis from Uganda, has announced plans for early consultations with Arab leaders to try to bring about a reopening of the Suez Canal.
 In a fresh attack on Israel, General Amin said he hoped "Zionist imperialism will not frustrate these and other efforts aimed at opening the Canal."
 Speaking at a reception here on Sunday night for officials who organized Uganda's participation in the All-African Trade Fair in Nairobi last month, General Amin said the Canal was a key factor in East Africa's trade with Europe.
 He said Uganda hoped Egypt would again be in a position to control and operate the canal, as it had been doing prior to the 1967 war. The government would in future direct its attention to fostering trade with Uganda's sister states in North Africa, he added. (See stories Pages 2 and 10)

Waldheim reshuffles his administration
 UNITED NATIONS (AP). — U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim announced yesterday a general reorganization of his cabinet, including the appointment of U.S. Congressman F. Bradford Morse as an Under Secretary-General.
 The Secretary-General also announced the appointment of the first woman Assistant Secretary-General in the history of the U.N. She is Mrs. Helvi Sipilä of Finland, who will take over next fall as head of the Department of Social and Humanitarian Affairs.

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 Home reports on his talks in Israel
 LONDON (AP). — Foreign Secretary Sir Alec Douglas-Home said Israel and its Arab neighbours must stage a much quicker dialogue at closer quarters if they want peace in the Middle East.
 Sir Alec told the House of Commons he had "useful" talks with Prime Minister Golda Meir and Foreign Minister Abba Eban earlier this month.
 Pro-Arab Labourite Christopher Mayhew claimed that a hardening of Israeli opinion against withdrawal from Arab territories militated against the peaceful settlement supported by Sir Alec and the U.N. He called for a ban on arms supplies to Israel as long as the Israeli leaders continued to resist British and U.N. peace policies.
 Sir Alec said the matter of arms and the Middle East was "another question."

Hussein and Nixon will meet today

WASHINGTON (AP). — King Hussein of Jordan will meet with President Nixon today for talks certain to include Hussein's explanation of his plan for a federal kingdom on the two banks of the Jordan River.
 In announcing the 11 a.m. (8 p.m. Israel time) conference and an 8 p.m. (3 a.m. Israel time) working dinner, the White House declined again yesterday to take a position on the King's proposed federation. That is "strictly a Jordanian matter," said Deputy Press Secretary Gerald Warren.
 He described Hussein's trip to the U.S. as a "private visit." It is part of a six-week tour being taken by the Jordanian leader. The black-tie stag dinner tonight will be for about 75 guests.
 In announcing the meeting and dinner, Mr. Warren said the sessions would "provide the President and the King with an opportunity to review the Middle East situation" and also discuss bilateral and multilateral matters.
 Our diplomatic correspondent adds: Israel's opposition to King Hussein's plan for a federated United Arab Kingdom" was conveyed to U.S. Ambassador Walworth Barbour by Foreign Minister Abba Eban at a meeting over the weekend, it was learned yesterday.
 Mr. Eban is understood to have told the U.S. envoy that had Hussein first obtained Israeli agreement to those aspects of the plan affecting Israel — primarily borders and the remaining aspects would have been viewed as an internal Jordanian matter, and Israel would not have voiced opposition to it. As this was not done, the plan was not viewed by Israel as a basis for agreement; and it did not serve the cause of peace, Mr. Eban is understood to have told the Ambassador.
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Social and Personal

Turkish terrorists kidnap 3 Britons

Mr. Miguel Alderman, former President of Mexico and currently in charge of tourism there, yesterday called on Tourism Minister Moshe Kol, accompanied by the Mexican Ambassador, Mrs. Rosario Castellanos. (See picture—page 3.)

U.S. Congressman Sidney Yates (Illinois) yesterday was the guest of Knesset Member Israel Kargman, chairman of the Knesset Finance Committee, and met with other members of the Committee.

Countess Wachtmeister, wife of the head of the Political Department in the Swedish Foreign Ministry, yesterday visited Wizo institutions in Jerusalem.

IN MEMORIAM

Supreme Court Justice Haim Cohn delivered a lecture on "Flavius Josephus as a Historian of Penal Law" at the Hebrew University last night, in tribute to the memory of Prof. Norman Bentwich, on the first anniversary of his death. Prof. Bentwich was one of the founders of the University, and was deputy chairman of its Board of Governors at the time of his death. The University Rector, Prof. Jacob Katz, presided over the memorial meeting, and Vice-President Bernard Cherrick eulogized the late Norman Bentwich. Among those in attendance were Dr. Joseph Bentwich, brother of the late professor, and the President of the Supreme Court, Shimon Agranat.

The Promised Land Ltd., 10 Rehov Hillel, Jerusalem, congratulates Miss Mimi Ringer on the occasion of her birthday. (Communicated)

U.S. troops in Vietnam below 100,000

SAIGON (AP). — American troop strength in South Vietnam has dropped below the 100,000 mark for the first time since the summer of 1965.

The milestone in the phased pullout that began nearly three years ago was reached as the U.S. Command issued an official summary putting the number of troops in Vietnam at 101,700 for the week ending last Thursday.

But military sources said that additional reductions in the following four days brought the level below 100,000. American troop strength has been falling about 1,000 each day.

Last week's drop was 6,900 men, the most in two months, and cut the military population to less than half the level of six months ago.

Milan police bar public funeral

MILAN (Reuters). — Milan's Police Chief yesterday banned the staging of a public funeral and procession for millionaire left-wing publisher Giangiacomo Feltrinelli, who was killed by a dynamite blast 13 days ago.

Dr. Ferruccio Adlito said that Feltrinelli's death had caused serious tension, and that a mass procession and public funeral planned by his family for this evening could lead to serious incidents.

The coffin, followed only by the family, would be taken directly from the mortuary to the cemetery early this morning, Dr. Adlito ordered in a communique.

The death of the publisher has embittered the confrontation between left and right in Italy's current general election campaign. And it has "given rise to livid polemics causing a serious state of tension in public opinion," Dr. Adlito said.

According to partial post-mortem results so far available, the left-wing publisher — who introduced Boris Pasternak's "Dr. Zhivago" to the west and once sold aerosol sprays with the slogan "Paint Your Policeman Yellow" — died on March 14 in a dynamite explosion beside an electricity pylon primed for sabotage.

Amid a storm of recriminations, rightists have claimed he was involved in sabotage. But the left claims he was probably framed by rightist provocateurs to discredit the left during the election campaign.

LONDON (AP). — The Turkish Government, confirming the kidnapping of three British radar experts, yesterday promised Britain it will make an all-out effort to track down the missing men and their captors.

The Foreign Office, which announced the development, said that the British Embassy in Ankara had called upon the Turkish authorities to take all possible action to ensure the safety of the men. They were Ministry of Defence civilians attached to a Turkish military radar station at Unye, on the Black Sea coast.

A major hunt for the men is already under way with helicopters, with police and troops taking part. The official Turkish version of the affair, according to the Foreign Office, was that five armed men on Sunday night burst into the British experts' apartment, bound five visitors and seized the three technicians, and vanished.

The three kidnapped Britons were identified as Gordon Banner, Charles Turner and John Law.

MAY BE HSTAGES

There was immediate speculation that they were taken as hostages for three terrorists under sentence of death. The Constitutional Court yesterday was considering final appeals on the sentences passed on Deniz Gezmiş, 24; Yusuf Aslan, 25; and Hüseyin İnan, 22; all were convicted of attempting to overthrow the constitutional regime with acts of terrorism.

One of the kidnappers was identified as Cihan Aktekin, a fugitive leftist terrorist and member of the "Turkish Peoples Liberation Army," an extremist gang blamed for numerous acts of violence which led to proclamation of martial law last April.

Aktekin was accused of being involved in the kidnap-murder of Israel Consul-General Ephraim Elrom last May. Aktekin escaped with four others from a military prison in Istanbul last November while on trial in a martial law court.

Of the four others who escaped with him, two have been captured — one dead after a shootout with police. Three, including Aktekin, Maher Cayan and Omer Ayna, are still at large.

Grechko visits Belgrade; Fock in Moscow

BELGRADE (Reuters). — Soviet Defence Minister Andrei Grechko arrived here yesterday on an official visit at the invitation of Yugoslav National Defence Minister Nikola Ljubicic.

The visit is in return for one paid by the Yugoslav Defence Minister to the Soviet Union and to the Soviet armed forces in May 1970.

Meanwhile, Hungarian Premier János Fock arrived in Moscow yesterday for a "friendly visit" and began talks with Premier Alexei Kosygin in the Kremlin, the Tass news agency said. It did not say how long the Hungarian leader would remain in Moscow.

In Ankara, a Foreign Ministry spokesman announced yesterday that Soviet President Nikolai Podgorny is to pay an official visit to Turkey from April 11 to 17.

Mr. Podgorny last visited Turkey as a Soviet Friendship member in 1964, for talks which led to improved relations between Turkey and the Soviet Union.

U.S. hunt for missile taken from Phantom

AUSTIN, Texas (Reuters). — Army and Air Force special investigators are probing the possible theft of a missile from an F-4C Phantom jet taking part in an exercise in Texas, a military spokesman said here yesterday.

A local radio station first reported the investigation quoting "very reliable source" at Fort Hood, source of exercise "Gallant Hand." The exercise, involving 25,000 soldiers and airmen, is the biggest in the U.S. since the Vietnam war buildup began seven years ago.

A radio reporter, Charles Garrett, said the investigation was into the alleged theft of a missile on Friday from a Phantom jet parked on the flight line at Bergstrom Air Force Base in Austin.

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Bid to placate Arab allies Soviet Minister claims not many Jews want to emigrate

MOSCOW. — The Soviet Union attempted yesterday to reassure its Arab allies that the exodus of Soviet Jews to Israel will not harm them.

Deputy Interior Minister Boris Shumilin said two-thirds of the Jews who left Russia last year were "aged people and women."

The deputy minister reported that "about 10,000 people" left for Israel from the Soviet Union in 1971. Whether through oversight or an attempt to minimize the outflow, Shumilin understand the emigration by almost 4,000.

His figure of "about 10,000" should have referred to the number of visas issued. Children are usually counted on their parents' visas. Authoritative sources have put the 1971 emigration figure at 13,905.

While Mr. Shumilin tried to stress the weight of the elderly, the very young and women in the 1972 emigration, he scrupulously avoided speaking about numbers. Informed sources say the number of Jews being granted visas is at a record rate, and that if the present rate is maintained until the end of the year nearly 30,000 Jews will have quit the country for Israel in 1972.

Mr. Shumilin denied that hundreds of thousands of Jews wanted to emigrate from this country.

Soviet Jews could leave the country on exactly the same basis as citizens of any other nationality, and altogether 21,000 had left since World War II, he declared.

While accusing the "imperialists

and Zionists' propaganda conveyor belt" of churning out inventions about Soviet Jews, Mr. Shumilin added that the Maoists had resorted to similar "slenderous assertions."

His interview, granted to the Novosti press agency, was carried by the Government-run Tass news agency.

Mr. Shumilin hinted at concern with reaction among Moscow's Arab friends by comparing the 21,000 Jews who have left this country with the two million overall immigration figure for Israel. Of these 800,000 had come from Arab countries, he added.

When applications to leave were examined attention was paid to Israel's stand in the Middle East situation. "Precisely because of this, the competent U.S.S.R. organs impose certain restrictions on the departure of certain categories of Soviet citizens to that country. The restrictions mainly concern those who have a certain military training or who are linked through their activities with work concerning state interests," he added.

He denied that the numbers still seeking emigration were great, citing figures for requests currently under consideration in areas with big Jewish populations. In Moscow there were 285, in Leningrad 50, in Kiev 119 and in Moldavia 124.

The aim of the Zionists' "slenderous campaign" is obvious — to try and undermine the friendship between the Arab countries and the

U.S.S.R., which provides comprehensive assistance to the peoples of the Arab east in their just liberation struggle... the calculations of the foes of Soviet-Arab friendship... are obviously built on sand," he concluded.

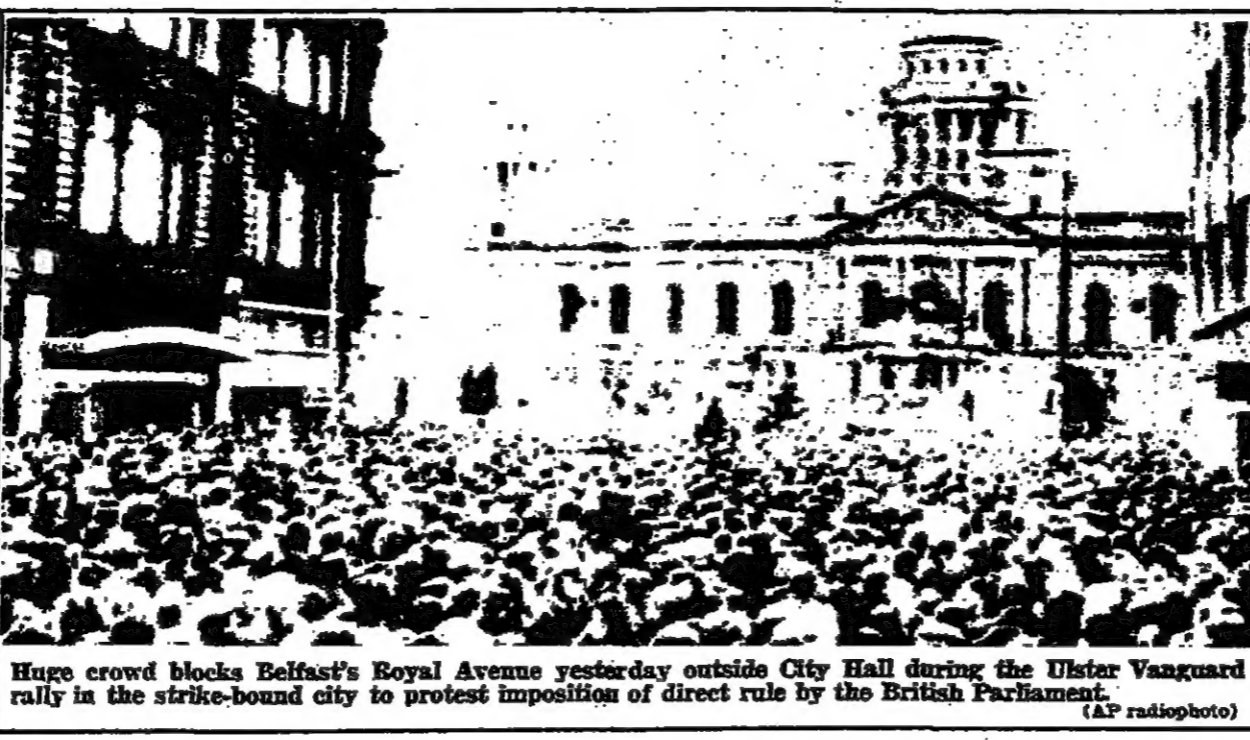
Meanwhile, Jewish sources here said emigration to Israel was freer now than it had ever been. Only Jews who had held posts where security was involved were not allowed to leave until they had worked in non-secret establishments for a specified time, they added.

Informed sources said earlier this month that more than 5,000 Jews had emigrated to Israel in the first 10 weeks of this year. (AP, Reuters)

Two Soviet dancers want to come here

MOSCOW (AP). — A soloist with the prestigious Kirov Ballet Company of Leningrad and his ballerina wife are trying to emigrate to Israel, Jewish sources reported yesterday. They said Valery Panov, one of the company's top male dancers, and Galina Pogodina, a promising young star, both have begun emigration proceedings. Both are Jewish.

The Kirov Company has provided two of the most prominent artists to defect to the west: Rudolph Nureyev, who quit the troupe in Paris 11 years ago; and Natalia Makarova, who defected in London in 1970. Nureyev now performs in England and Makarova in America.



Huge crowd blocks Belfast's Royal Avenue yesterday outside City Hall during the Ulster Vanguard rally in the strike-bound city to protest imposition of direct rule by the British Parliament. (AP radiophoto)

'Albert Einstein's speech fault led to his genius' Fourth wife for Amin

NEW YORK (Reuters). — Albert Einstein's inability to speak until he was three years old helped him break new ground later with concepts of space, time and energy, "The New York Times" said yesterday.

This opinion came in the first of three articles in the paper on a collection of thousands of the physicist's letters, notebooks, and manuscripts to be published by Princeton University Press.

The papers told of Einstein as a child whose inability, or unwillingness, to speak led to the development of an extraordinary capacity for non-verbal conceptualization, "The Times" said. Such use of abstract concepts, rather than words, enabled him to break free from

methods of thought that prevented others from human experience.

As described by his sister, Maja, the young Einstein used to turn yellow in the face when enraged — apart from the tip of his nose, which went white — and he lost control of himself.

On one occasion, at the age of five, he became so furious at his violin teacher that he threw a chair at her. The teacher fled in terror.

His sister also wrote that while at school in Munich in the 1890s, his teacher reported that "nothing good" would ever come of the young Einstein.

By the time he was 26, Einstein had already published his first papers on the Theory of Relativity and was laying down the foundation of the Quantum Theory.

Galili on Gaza Strip

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tzair movement had many settlements along the old borders, and that these had been more than instrumental in the country's security. He said the Cabinet had received the Chief of Staff's report on the fencing off of the land in the Rafah area, and assured the House that the Beduin who were displaced would be "more than compensated."

The Minister's speech — delivered calmly from a prepared text — caused some excitement on the floor.

Mr. Uri Avneri (Ha'olam Hazeh) wanted to know how Israel could claim not to have taken a stand prior to negotiation if Mr. Galili had just stated emphatically that Gaza would not be returned. He called the minister a "Gahal extremist."

The New Communist's Toufik Toubi accused the Minister of "throwing sand in the eyes of the House" by promising the displaced Beduin compensation. The Government's sole aim, he said, was to usurp land stolen from the Arabs.

Most of the Cabinet attended the session including Prime Minister Golda Meir and the House was full, much more so than on a normal day. Both Mapam Ministers — Health Minister Victor Shentov and Immigration Minister Natan Peled — sat stolidly as the three Members who submitted the motions heaped insult upon insult on their party and on their professed ideology.

WHITE PAPER

The first mover, Gahal's Yoram Eridor, said he knew the British had issued a White Paper forbidding Jewish settlement, and wanted to know if Mapam now intended to publish a Jewish edition of the same edict. He noted that Mapam had, without the slightest tinge of conscience, settled on land expropriated from the Arabs in 1948, and he could not understand why they should oppose settlement in "areas which had been liberated in 1967."

Cables in brief

LUNCE. — Government workers in war-ravaged Cambodia will now get only two and a half hours for lunch each day following a decision to end the four-hour working day. Civil servants will now have to work a 35½ hour week.

WAIT. — Hundreds of dwellers of the southern Ukraine town of Novoshakhtinsk have been waiting for 13 years for a water supply to their flats from the public mains, the Soviet Communist Party newspaper "Pravda" disclosed yesterday.

IMITATION. — A seven-year-old boy was found dead under piles of sand on the beach of the northern Japanese city of Akita yesterday after pretending to be Shotei Yoko — an ex-Japanese soldier who lived in a jungle cave in Guam until recently in the belief that World War II was still going on.

Yemen war is certain, North warns

BEIRUT. — War between North and South Yemen is inevitable unless terror attacks from the south against peaceful villages halt immediately, according to a statement issued by the North Yemen Embassy here.

The threat came in a statement issued a few hours before the country's Prime Minister Mohamed al-Ehni arrived on a tour of Arab Capitals to explain his views and seek support.

The statement held the Marxist South Yemen Government responsible for border incursions last week that brought the total death toll of North Yemenis to 188 in two months.

On arriving, Ehni said his tour of Arab Capitals was aimed at drumming up "mediative efforts to forestall disastrous results from the current tension between the two Yemens. The North Yemeni Chief of Staff, Colonel Hassan Mansour, arrived later by plane from Sana'a to join the conference. (AP, UPI)

S. Koreans smash Communist spy ring

SEOUL (UPI). — Security forces have broken a deeply-entrenched Communist spy ring that had sought to overthrow the Seoul Government and assassinate South Korean leaders, the Security Command announced yesterday.

Command chief Maj.-Gen. Kang Chang-Sang said the 21-member ring, which had been operating in the south since 1955, was behind efforts to organize armed uprisings and overthrow the Government. He also said the group had sought to spy on military and state secrets, assassinate Government leaders and destroy important facilities in South Korea.

ITT AND THE REPUBLICANS

'Witness' heart attack stops Senate probe of funds issue

DENVER, Colorado (Reuters). — The dramatic heart relapse suffered by Mrs. Dita Beard, the International Telephone and Telegraph (ITT) lobbyist, threw into uncertainty yesterday the future course of the Senate probe into the giant corporation's relations with the Nixon Administration.

A seven-man Senate judiciary subcommittee planned to fly back yesterday to Washington, where the course of action will be thrashed out with members of the full committee later this week.

The unprecedented hospital room hearings with Mrs. Beard, a key witness in the inquiry, ended abruptly on Sunday afternoon when she fell back in her bed with sharp chest pains and a heart seizure. The hearings had been due to last until today.

Soviets send spacecraft to Venus

MOSCOW (Reuters). — Russia yesterday launched its eighth spacecraft on a 310 million kms. journey to Venus, the evening star.

The 1,130 kgs. automatic probe blasted off from the steppes of Kazakhstan. It is expected to reach the vicinity of the mysterious, gas-enveloped planet by July.

The spacecraft, Venus-8, like its predecessor, will attempt a smooth descent through the planet's broiling atmosphere to the surface, where temperatures reach 250 degrees Centigrade (490 Fahrenheit) and atmospheric pressure can be more than 20 times that on earth.

Aboard Venus-8 are a portrait of Lenin and the Soviet coat of arms. The last probe, Venus-7, transmitted the first earth-inspired signals from the planet's surface for 23 minutes in December 1970 before it went dead.

Yesterday's was the latest step in an elaborate Soviet programme of automatic research of the planets. Two Soviet craft are orbiting Mars.

Chile foils plot to kill Allende

SANTIAGO, Chile (AP). — Chilean government claims it has foiled a seditious plot "that included the assassination of President Salvador Allende."

The announcement was made by Minister of Interior Hernan Canales, during a television programme last Sunday night. He disclosed no details other than 41 members of a right-wing movement were implicated.

Three leaders of the movement called "Liberty and Fatherland" were arrested last week after police raided several meeting places and uncovered a quantity of clubs, propaganda material, home-made bombs and some small firearms.

The three have been charged with violating Chile's strict internal security law and are being tried before a military court. Civilians in the country can be prosecuted before military tribunals in some cases involving security.

El Salvador coup chiefs face death

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (Reuters). — Leaders of an abortive weekend coup which left an estimated 150 people dead in this tiny Central American republic were under arrest yesterday, facing death by firing squad.

Hundreds of people flocked to city morgues to identify bodies of people killed in the fighting, as the army here announced that left-wing army Colonel Benjamin Mejia and Christian Democrat politician Napoleon Duarte will be tried by a military court on charges of sedition and high treason.

The Military Code lays down the death penalty for these offences and an army spokesman said that if the court can find no mitigating circumstances the rebel leaders will be shot. Duarte, runner-up in presidential elections earlier this month, is a civilian, but will be tried under martial law imposed after the revolt was crushed by artillery and air force units loyal to President Fidel Sanchez Hernandez.

President Sanchez, who was held prisoner by the rebels for most of Saturday, told reporters yesterday he did not contemplate vengeance but "those responsible must face military justice."

COBALT. — Students of an economic high school in Medan, North Sumatra, are on strike to demand the resignation of their headmaster whom they accuse of corruption.



Eileen Garrett, left, and Jaleh Hadad, model military inspired by the Tutankhamen Exhibition which opens at the British Museum in London later this week. Head attire worn by Eileen is called "Nefertiti" while that shown by Jaleh is called "Cleopatra." (AP radiophoto)

Witness' heart attack stops Senate probe of funds issue

tion to the San Diego convention or the actual Nixon election campaign.

She said \$600,000 was mentioned when William Merriman, vice-president of the ITT Washington office, asked her for a memorandum verifying the commitment. Mrs. Beard denied that there was any such pledge.

She also denied that she had said former Attorney-General John Mitchell told her last May that President Nixon had said he wanted a fair settlement worked out for ITT.

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SOVIET SUSPECTS 'SECRET TITO DEAL WITH U.S.'

By LANOS LEDERER

LONDON (Oms).— President Tito of Yugoslavia has received an urgent appeal from the Soviet Communist Party leader, Mr. Leonid Brezhnev, to visit Moscow. According to a report from Belgrade, Mr. Brezhnev is pressing the Yugoslav leader to come to talks before President Nixon arrives in the second half of May. The immediate reason for the Soviet invitation, first made during Mr. Brezhnev's visit to Yugoslavia last autumn, appears to be the growing anxiety in Moscow over American efforts to boost their strategic position in the Mediterranean area by cultivating the Yugoslavs.

Earlier this month the American Secretary of State, Mr. William Rogers, told Congress in Washington of the Administration's "interest in Yugoslavia's independence and integrity." The timing of this statement and the Yugoslav reaction to it—Belgrade "welcomed it without reserve"—has increased the Kremlin's suspicions of a hidden arrangement between the U.S. and Yugoslavia about Yugoslavia's future role in the Balkans and the Mediterranean.

It is clear that the American "interest" which the Yugoslav leader has expressed is intended as a warning Moscow against taking any further Czechoslovakia-type actions. That warning Moscow is that a Yugoslav-American military alliance might be in the making in an area where a new confrontation between the super-powers is developing.

Marshall Tito agreed in principle to visit Moscow during Mr. Brezhnev's Yugoslav trip last year after the Soviet leader — at the insistence of the Yugoslavs — reaffirmed Yugoslavia's right to full independence and sovereignty. But since then relations between the two countries have deteriorated once more. The Yugoslavs are worried by indications in Moscow that there are plans afoot to revive the Cominform (a contraction of the name Communist Information Bureau), which was set up by Stalin in 1947 to keep a tight grip on foreign Communist parties.

Yugoslavia was expelled from the Cominform in 1948 after Tito's break with Stalin, but the Cominform itself was dissolved in 1956 after a rapprochement between the two countries.

One Belgrade newspaper recently cited the Soviet Communist Party journal "Kommunist" as urging the need for "the ideological, political and organizational unity" of all "Communist and workers' parties."

President Tito has not yet replied to Mr. Brezhnev's urgent invitation. He is at present at his home on the island of Brioni, preoccupied with measures to consolidate the rapidly returning stability of the country after the worst internal crisis of his rule.

While Mr. Brezhnev waits, plans are going ahead for the Yugoslav President to make a State visit to Poland for his first meeting with the Polish Communist leader, Mr. Edward Gierak. (Oms.)

Bhutto wants India ties renewed

NEW DELHI (AP).— Pakistan President Zulfikar Ali Bhutto has called for the resumption of diplomatic ties between India and Pakistan, indicating he is prepared to accept Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's proposal for bilateral talks below the summit level.

"I want immediate resumption of diplomatic relations," Bhutto told Kuldip Nayyar of the "Statesman" of New Delhi, in an interview in Rawalpindi, published this week.

Nayyar said Bhutto told him that he had "indicated to Moscow that (he) is willing to begin talks with New Delhi at the official level, preferably between the personal envoys of the Pakistani President and the Indian (Prime Minister)."

Bhutto, who had earlier held out for a direct summit meeting with Mrs. Gandhi, was quoted as telling Nayyar: "I will not quarrel over the procedures. Mrs. Gandhi has changed her mind or has had second thoughts on the subject."

In a letter sent to Bhutto through the U.N. and the Swiss government last month, the Indian government had said it is prepared to have direct peace talks with Pakistan "at any time, at any level and without any preconditions."

On her return from Decca, last week-end, Mrs. Gandhi indicated that she preferred to have the initial round of talks below the summit level, so there could be room for negotiations when the two leaders met.

Bhutto said he is moving toward recognition of Bangla Desh.

"We are moving in that direction, but I cannot do anything until I meet him (Prime Minister Sheikh Mujibur Rahman)," Bhutto was quoted as saying.



After placing the dedicatory scroll for Mexico House, on Mount Scopus, on Sunday, Mrs. Sarah Schonfeld de Cohen of Mexico City embraces the former President of Mexico, Don Miguel Aleman. Behind them is the Mexican Ambassador to Israel, Rosario Castellanos. (Braun)



Britain's Chief Rabbi, Dr. Immanuel Jakobovits, with matzo on Sunday, when he conducted a symbolic seder service near the Soviet Embassy in London as a protest against the oppression of Soviet Jews. (AP)

Russian arms aid to Arabs increasing, say U.S. analysts

WASHINGTON. — U.S. defense analysts say the Soviet Union is increasing military aid in an effort to bolster its standing in the Arab world.

High-ranking Soviet military and civilian officials have traveled to Arab capitals in recent months and other such visits are reported in the offing.

Key Arab leaders have visited or been invited to visit Moscow to discuss aid projects.

Even the Yemen, relatively remote from the Arab-Israeli scene, is sharing in the new arms benefits flowing from Russia. After a three-year halt in major Soviet arms deliveries to the Yemen, the Russians reportedly have agreed to supply them with Mig-17 jet fighters, tanks, patrol boats and other military hardware.

The Russians have also embarked on a comprehensive review of Egypt's arms needs, the defense sources say.

Jet factory

This development came after Egyptian President Anwar Sadat flew to the Kremlin for talks, and Russian Defense Minister Andrei A. Grechko spent four days in Egypt in February.

A Lebanese newspaper reported last week that Russia has agreed to build a factory in Egypt to produce Mig-21 jets. The Egyptian air force already has Mig-21s, manufactured in the Soviet Union and shipped by sea to Egypt.

A delegation led by Soviet Deputy Premier Kiril Mazurov went to Damascus in February, resulting in a Russian agreement to "increase the defensive capacity of the Syrian Arab Republic," a communique said.

Li-Gen. Hafez al-Assad, Syria's president, accepted an invitation to Moscow at the same time.

U.S. sources said the Russians are also trying to improve relations with Iraq. An official Soviet delegation is expected in Baghdad next month to dedicate a new oil field developed with Russian assistance.

Western observers say that the Soviet Union and its European allies have penetrated 15 Mediterranean and Middle Eastern countries in the past few years in their campaign to establish a naval presence in the area.

The insinuation is gradual and follows a distinctive pattern, according to Western diplomats.

First, they say, an occasional merchant ship or fishing vessel makes a visit. Once this practice is established and the Soviet ensign is familiar, a warship pays a visit. Further "business" calls follow, but not impressive enough to cause alarm. Finally, the visits are so usual that host countries find it difficult to deny access, particularly if their economic dependence has meanwhile grown.

At the same time, the Communists involve themselves in the development of ports and the provision of shipbuilding and repair yards.

Malta pact

The latest such agreement, signed with Malta last December covers, according to the Soviet Tass news agency, the use of the island's dockyards for ship repair against a fixed payment.

In recent years, Soviet bloc countries have been associated with port development and the construction of naval bases and shipbuilding and repair yards in Algeria, Cyprus, Egypt, Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, North Yemen, South Yemen, Syria, Sudan, Somalia and Tunisia as well as Malta.

Usually these facilities are handed over to the recipients on completion but in many cases Communist advisers remain and Soviet bloc ships receive priority. (AP, UPI)

Soviet Jews plan protest

MOSCOW (AP). — Four Soviet Jews said here that they have asked permission to stage a demonstration in a central Moscow square during President Nixon's visit.

The four, who seek permission to leave for Israel, said they made their request in a letter to President Nikolai V. Podgorny and Moscow Mayor Vladimir F. Promyalov. They said they would carry a placard saying "let us go to Israel" for eight hours on May 25 in Sovetskaya Square, a 15-minute walk from the Kremlin. Nixon arrives in Moscow for a summit conference on May 22 and plans to stay about a week.

The four, Leonid Tsigan and Alexander Slepak, both 20, Viktor Aylkhot, 27, and Mikhail Kiyachkin, 28, all said they have been trying for more than a year to get permission to go to Israel but have been turned down or given no answer.

Kiyachkin, an engineer by profession, was denied permission to leave because of "the secret character of his work." His wife and parents, however, were given visas. His wife gave birth to a daughter in January shortly after the family arrived in Israel.



Marshal Lon Nol, who has proclaimed himself President of Cambodia, (right) offers his hand to a governor from Mondul Kiri in Phnom Penh last week during a meeting of Cambodian provincial chiefs. The President burst into tears at the meeting. (AP Radiophotos)

Goldmann will speak in Capital Guerrillas plan Rhodesia war

Dr. Nahum Goldmann has accepted an invitation from Mayor Teddy Kollek to address a memorial meeting for Lord Israel Sieff in Jerusalem on April 9. It will be the first visit to Israel by Dr. Goldmann since the cancellation of his invitation to address the World Zionist Congress in January.

The meeting, to be held at the Israel Museum, will also be addressed by Foreign Minister Abba Eban and Mr. Kollek. Among those expected to attend are Premier Golda Meir and the British Ambassador in Israel, Mr. John Barnes.

Softball League forms

The American International school at Kfar Shmaryahu is organizing a four-team softball league, matches to be played Saturday mornings.

A four-team league playing Saturday afternoon matches has already been formed, and it is planned to hold an "Israel world series."

Persons interested in playing should contact Mr. Errol Frank, at the American School, Tel. 938-525.

DAR-ES-SALAAM (Reuter).

Two banned Rhodesian nationalist guerrilla groups have announced the formation of a united military command to plan "revolutionary war" in the breakaway British colony.

This followed four days of secret talks between the two liberation movements in the southwestern Tanzanian town of Mbeya, near the Zambian border.

Leaders of the Zimbabwe African People's Union and the Zimbabwe African National Union met under the auspices of the Organization of African Unity liberation committee.

In a communique issued here, the committee said, "The joint military command will be responsible for planning and conducting the revolutionary war in all its aspects."

AN INTERNATIONAL COURSE

on agro-meteorology was concluded this week at Beit Dagon. The 14-week course was attended by meteorologists, biologists, and agronomists from 13 countries, including Rumania, Turkey, Thailand, Kenya and Uganda.

Kurds demand autonomy if Iraq federates

BEIRUT (AP). — The Kurds have told the Government in Baghdad that they must be given immediate autonomy if Iraq unites with Egypt and Syria.

The Kurdish request was made last week before a high-level Iraqi delegation left for Damascus and Cairo for talks on some form of unity to counter King Hussein's plan to reorganize his kingdom, the "Arab World News Bulletin" reported here.

According to reports from his mountain headquarters, the 57-year-old Kurdish leader, Mulla Mustafa Barzani, reminded the Baghdad Government that autonomy within four years was one of the provisions of the March 11, 1970 agreement that ended nearly a decade of civil war between the two sides.

However, if Iraq united with any Arab country, autonomy for the Kurds was to be granted immediately in terms of the 1970 agreement, according to Barzani.

Iraq has a population of 8.6 million, of whom perhaps two million are Kurds.

Barzani is said to be growing increasingly impatient at what he considers to be government foot-dragging in carrying out the 1970 truce agreement, especially in determining the boundaries of Kurdistan.

Relations between the Kurds and the Baghdad Government were aggravated when the Government last year postponed a long-promised census after a conflict over whether Kurds were the majority population in the rich oil-producing Kirkuk area.

Then in September, men disguised as religious leaders tried to assassinate Barzani with grenades and explosives in his mountain headquarters, but he escaped. Many

Oxygen found on Mars

AUSTIN, Texas (AP). — For the first time, it has been determined that the planet Mars has oxygen in its atmosphere, but not enough to sustain human life, a University of Texas scientist reports.

Dr. Ed Barker, research scientist at the school's McDonald Observatory in west Texas, made the discovery. His findings were released in a statement based on a speech Dr. Barker delivered last Friday to a meeting of the American Astronomical Society.

Oxygen on Mars is equal to that found 60 miles above earth, he said.

Solzhenitsyn says Church helping destroy religion

MOSCOW (UPI). — The Russian Orthodox Church is helping the Soviet state to destroy organized religion and crush religious spirit, Nobel Prize novelist Alexander Solzhenitsyn said in a protest letter made public this week.

Solzhenitsyn addressed his "Letter" to Patriarch Pimen, the virtual head of Russian Orthodoxy, and accused him of passively allowing the state to smother his church.

"We are losing the last little sparks and signs of a Christian people, and should not let this be the main concern of the Russian Patriarch," said Solzhenitsyn, himself an orthodox believer and said to be a deeply religious man. He denounced the compliance of the church with the official ban on teaching religion to children.

Unofficial estimates place the number of active Russian Orthodox believers in the Soviet Union at 30 million. Most are elderly, are female, and relatively few attend services.

Solzhenitsyn says in the letter that the Russian Orthodox Church "ruled dictatorially by atheists a spectacle unseen for two millennia."



Alexander Solzhenitsyn

Russian children, said Solzhenitsyn, have been disinherited from their fathers' faith. "We are losing our last traces and signs as a Christian people. Surely this cannot fail to be the chief concern of the Russian Patriarchate?"

"The Russian Church has its indignant opinion of every evil in distant Asia or Africa. Yet on domestic ills, nothing ever."

For every working church in Russia, 20 are closed, said the author. "Priests have no rights in their parishes. Only the conduct of church services is still entrusted to them for the time being, and that without leaving the church."

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Yevgeny Zamyatin—eternal heretic HE CHOSE THE LINE OF GREATER RESISTANCE

UNTIL recently, Yevgeny Zamyatin was known in the West, if at all, as the author of the so-fantastic novel "We." George Orwell paid him ample credit as the progenitor of his own novel, "1984" and Aldous Huxley, although he did not acknowledge it, was apparently inspired by "We" in writing "Brave New World."

"We" written in 1920, was one of the first in what has since become the increasingly long list of novels published abroad but not in the Soviet Union. Other of Zamyatin's works fared better, and, from 1913 until the late 1920s, numerous stories and articles of Zamyatin's were published in Russia. To our great good fortune, in the last few years Zamyatin has experienced a posthumous revival, at least in the West.

"We" has been retranslated and republished. In 1966, Random House published a collection of 15 of Zamyatin's stories ("The Dragon," translated by Mirra Ginsburg, also published in paperback). This volume has done more than countless studies and essays could have done for Zamyatin: it established his reputation as a genuine literary talent for the English-language reader. Each story is a polished sparkling work, sometimes full of humour and satire (as in his "Maid" "The Healing of the Novice Erasmus," where the author, in language befitting a religious tract, describes how a young monk arouses his fellow monks to sexual fantasies during his own discovery of the wonders of the female body); sometimes bitterly satirical; often lyrical and romantic (as in "The North," which is a poetic portrayal of the area bordering on Lappland); at times intense and psychological ("The Flood" being an excellent example of a carefully woven, increasingly tense and tragic work centering on the themes of sterility and infidelity). His images, always fresh, never wordy, epitomize the character—the rich merchant who is a shiny copper samovar; his wife, a cast-off glove; the old woman who is a Russian stove; the Bolshevik soldier-dragon; beautiful Darya in "Old Russia" who is "ripening and filling up with sap like a crimson anise apple on a branch."

Following the publication of these stories came Alex Shane's study of Zamyatin, "The Life and Works of Yevgeny Zamyatin," University of California Press, 1968). Besides biographical material, Shane provided an incisive study of many of Zamyatin's writings.

And now we have Zamyatin's essays in English in the volume under review. The essays are varied: some deal with literary criticism of Russian works of the 1920s, some discuss writers (Aleksandr Blok, Maxim Gorkii, E.G. Wells, etc.), others are concerned with the creative process. In this last group, Zamyatin holds up some of his own stories as examples of technique, of literary inspiration, or choice of language. Although the essays themselves stand well enough on their own merit, familiarity with the stories makes these particular essays more interesting—and they will doubtless make any reader eager to see Zamyatin's fiction.

A SOVIET HERETIC: Essays by Yevgeny Zamyatin. Edited and translated from the Russian by Mirra Ginsburg. Chicago-London, University of Chicago Press. 322 pp.

Reviewed by Edith B. Frankel



YEVGENY ZAMYATIN

The life and career of Yevgeny Zamyatin in many ways typifies the ethos of Russia during the first third of the century. His early publication before the Revolution (one issue of garrison life was confiscated in 1914), his activity in literary affairs during the years right after the Revolution, the gradual restraints on the publication of his works, and his eventual request for permission to emigrate from the Soviet Union as the policies of RAPP (the Russian Association of Proletarian Writers) closed in on the literary community—all trace quite schematically the career of many a "fellow traveller" in those years.

Zamyatin the man is not well known. We have only sketchy details of the exterior of the individual, largely through three little autobiographical notes—his childhood in Lebedian in the heart of Russia, his study of mathematics at school ("At school I received marks of Excellent on compositions but was not always on easy terms with mathematics. This was perhaps why (out of stubbornness) I chose the most mathematical of professions, naval engineering..."); his Polytechnic Institute days in Saint Petersburg; a sea trip in 1905 from Odessa to Alexandria (including a particularly memorable week spent in Jerusalem with an Arab family); joining the Bolsheviks ("In those years, being a Bolshevik meant following the line of greatest resistance, and I was a 'Bolshevik at that time.'"); imprisonment, exile, first publication; then 1916 and off to England for two years to supervise the building of some icebreakers for the Russian Government. Although Zamyatin did not remain a Bolshevik (this, too, being a choice of the line of greater resistance), he did remain a heretic, attacking, prodding, criticizing literary conformity throughout the 1920s. These are the externals we discover, but it is through the essays that we get to know Zamyatin himself, get to know him and like him. Zamyatin the storyteller is moving, enchanting, entertaining, amusing. Zamyatin the critic is clever, articulate, sensitive, demanding.

During the years of the Civil War, Zamyatin became involved in activities related to the artistic community. While he continued to write, he devoted increasing time to the various organizations (World Literature, the House of Arts, etc.) which had been created through Gorkii's enterprise for the purpose of providing work, food, fuel for starving writers. Tremendous translating projects were launched so that writers—many of them gifted, world famous—could have some means of livelihood. And Zamyatin served on committees and editorial boards, and gave lectures to young writers in newly set up institutes. Some of the essays in this volume are actually transcriptions of these lectures.

His "Contemporary Russian Literature" was a lecture delivered in his native Lebedian in 1918. Very lucidly Zamyatin discusses with his audience the various trends in Russian literature of the day and explains, in terms of Hegelian dialectics, the newest one, of which he was a proponent. Realism, the thesis, begat Symbolism the antithesis, and the synthesis thus produced was Neorealism (which he called in other places Synthetism). He wrote: "The characteristic features of the Neorealists are the seeming improbability of characters and events, which reveals true reality; representation of images and moods by means of one particularly salient impression—in other words, use of the method of impressionism; clarity and sharp, often exaggerated, vividness of colours; use of the scene of action; broad, abstract generalizations—achieved by depiction of everyday trifles; terseness of language; 'showing' rather than 'telling about'; use of folk and local speech; use of verbal music."

Several lectures which he gave on the technique of fiction writing are also produced in the present volume. These lectures, plus a fourth essay entitled "Backstage," provide some valuable insight into his work, the nature of inspiration and its source. He refers to the creative mood of the writer as a "Blue mist."

"The writer's creative mind works as the minds of others do during sleep. We may accidentally touch in our sleep the mother-of-pearl button on our sleeve. In the ordinary state, when the mind works soberly and controls our sensations, this may arouse no associations and no feelings. But during sleep, when the conscious mind is subordinate to the subconscious, the sensation of the button is immediately associated with the touch of a cold steel knife. And in a fraction of a second, we see an entire picture: the knife of the guillotine—we are condemned to death—a ray of sunlight on the door from the narrow window—the glitter of the lock—the click—in a moment the executioner will enter and lead us to the block."

Zamyatin once said that he had two wives, writing and naval engineering. His outlook was often characterized by this marriage of science and literature. This can be seen in his analysis of the role of real life in influencing the "blue mist" of the creative mood:

"Chemists know the meaning of the term 'saturated solution.' A glass seems to be filled with colorless, familiar, ordinary water, but you need only drop into it one more grain of salt and the solution comes alive. Diamond shapes, needles, tetrahedrons—and after a few seconds, instead of colorless water, you have the gleaming facets of crystals. Sometimes we, too, are in a state of saturated solution, and then a chance visual impression, a fragment of a sentence heard in a railway car, a two-line item in a newspaper may be enough to crystallize several printed pages."

In conjunction with this, Zamyatin discusses the sources of some of his own plots and characters. His most frequent method of unfolding a plot was that of building a story around a particular ending or line, a technique, I suspect, often used

which whetted the appetite, but did not satisfy it, was the mention of a series of drawings by Kustodiev which inspired Zamyatin's unforgettable "In Old Russia." Unfortunately, these are not included in the book, although there is an excellent set of 13 portraits by Turrii Anzenkov, all executed in the early '20s, of some of the writers discussed by the author: Mayakovsky, Yesenin, Blok, Babel, Chukovskii, Gorkii, Wells. (In fact, the only technical criticism of the book is that it was poorly proofread.)

The most exciting, compelling, urgent section of the book deals with literature of the '20s. Here we find ourselves looking at a world that is no more, a Petersburg which has become Leningrad, a group of writers, later to be dispersed by politics and death, a period of variety and challenge which stagnated and petrified as the decade came to an end. The essence of the era is epitomized in an essay entitled "I Am Afraid." Here Zamyatin defends "the writer who cannot be nimble," asserts that "true literature can exist only where it is created, not by diligent and trustworthy officials, but by madmen, heretics, heretics, dreamers, rebels and skeptics." Zamyatin's famous essay "On Literature, Revolution, Entropy and Other Matters" (which has already been published in Hayward and Blake's "Dissonant Voices in Soviet Literature") again deals with political and literary problems in scientific terms. Entropy, the tendency of a body towards rest, is the enemy of revolution, of human thought.

"Revolution is everywhere, in everything; it is infinite, there is no final revolution, no final number." But in order to keep the planet young one must set it on fire, "it must be thrown off the smooth highway of evolution." This is the role of the heretic, the writer. "Heretics are the only (bitter) remedy against the entropy of human thought." Thus, Zamyatin, "the Soviet heretic."

The volume ends fittingly with two

letters—a resignation from the writers Union in 1929, and a request to Stalin for permission to leave Russia dated June, 1931. The request was granted. Zamyatin's death sentence as a writer in Russia had been pronounced when the last door to the reading public was closed. He wrote to Stalin:

"In the Soviet criminal code, the penalty second to death is deportation of the criminal from the country. If I am in truth a criminal deserving punishment, I nevertheless do not think that I merit so grave a penalty as literary death. I therefore ask that this sentence be changed to deportation from the U.S.S.R."

He died in exile in Paris six years later. One is tempted to compare Zamyatin with two other writers of more recent history who also faced literary death. Pasternak, however, feared the prospect of exile far more than he did their tribulations inside Russia; the same is true today of Solzhenitsyn. Perhaps it lay in chronology: Zamyatin was in a literary atmosphere already in the clutches of RAPP and heading, as we know now, towards the grim decades of Stalin's hegemony over the Union of Soviet Writers and the doctrine of Socialist Realism; Pasternak and Solzhenitsyn faced the problem at the end of the era, following the appearance of the "thaw" in literature. They may have had more hope for what the future held.

Or, perhaps, it is simply a difference in world view. Steeped in Russian tradition religiously and philosophically, neither Pasternak nor Solzhenitsyn could conceive of a life of creation outside their native Russia, far from the sound of the Russian language. But Zamyatin, the heretic, the innovator, a believer in the infinity of revolution, was less bound by geographic borders, by language, and preformed to strike out anew, against all odds, rather than be stifled.

The conquest of Jericho

RAHAV by Shmuel Izban, Tel Aviv, Am Hasefer, 232pp.
Reviewed by Sol Liptzin

IZBAN is a master of the Yiddish historical novel, perhaps the best creator in this literary genre since the death of Joseph Opatoshu in 1954. Two of his novels, "Queen Izabel" (1959) and "Jericho" (1966) recreate Israel's Biblical past. The latter has now appeared in a Hebrew translation by Mordecai Amitai under the new title "Rahav" since she is the principal heroine of the narrative.

In this imaginative reconstruction of the fall of the ancient city to the army led by Joshua, Izban projects on a grand scale the conflict between a mighty, but decaying, superstition-ridden urban civilization and a God-appointed, nomadic confederation of tribes whom Moses had hammered into a free people. Colourful mass scenes abound; individual ambitions clash with an awakened social consciousness; intense emotions are tamed by religious fervour.

This is the fifth of Izban's books to be published in Hebrew. It is now being translated into English. The author came to Israel as a 15-year old *halutz* in 1920. He toiled as a labourer, building roads, planting trees and erecting dwellings in Tel Aviv, but left for the U.S. in

1937 after encountering insurmountable economic difficulties. During his Tel Aviv years he met artists, actors and writers, and was stimulated to compose sketches and short stories in Hebrew for local journals and in Yiddish for American and Polish newspapers. His early novels on American soil dealt with American subject-matter. In 1947, he accompanied survivors of the Holocaust as a correspondent on the ship *Hatikva*, which tried to elude the British blockade. The ship was apprehended and he was deported. He then aroused much attention with his stories of the "Maplim: Illegal Jews Cleave Seas" (Illegalie Yidin She'afita Yemen, 1949) and with his two-volume novel about an Israeli family, "Family Carp" (1949). Izban recently visited Israel and plans to return to settle again in the land which is obsessing his imagination and is the main theme of his most recent long narratives.

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Yeheskel Dror

"We are always behind events, always trying to catch up," says Professor Yeheskel Dror, who was awarded the Eshkol Prize for his study of Israel's senior civil servants. He is interviewed by David Krivine

Precisely because of that it may be a life-saver that our administrative mechanism is not too rigid. "Best of all is to have sophisticated planning. Second-best is to have a *balagan* (which could be described as a system honoured more in the breach than the observance). A complete *balagan* is something close to the free market system," he asserts. In the circumstances, cramping government companies with perfectionist rules may do harm more than good. "They could get frightened, over-cautious, and lose their dynamism."

Professor Dror is a prolific writer, and his name is known in many countries. Most recently he was a senior professional staff member at the Rand Corporation in the U.S. He presides for the formation of policy study institutes, wants to send politicians on sabbaticals, believes civil servants should read books outside their specialised field. He even recommends (possibly with tongue in cheek) the appointment of an Israeli Minister for Civil Service Affairs. This controversial idea, aroused heated discussion at a recent conference on public administration in Jerusalem.

"The system"
The Eshkol Prize was awarded to Professor Dror for a study of Israel's senior civil servants. His conclusion? They are able, more devoted, and have greater integrity than the average in other countries. But the system is not as efficient as elsewhere, does not get the best out of them. A lot of time is wasted in internal friction; there are too many ministries; the civil service is required to get to the other side. Relations between government officials and politicians have not been studied — indeed Israel has never given study to the administrative system in general. "We are conservative in everything that concerns our patterns of behaviour," he deplores.

New maritime museum

Jerusalem Post Reporter
IAIPA. — The new building of the National Maritime Museum, which joins the Navy and "illegal" immigration museum in Rehov Allenby, will be officially inaugurated on Sunday. Museum Director Aryeh Ben-El-Mechaieck held a press conference on Sunday, although its annual budget was the Municipality for acquisition totals only IL5,000. The Museum has one of the world's major collections on maritime history. It is considered "priceless," thanks to numerous donations from Jewish collectors and antique dealers abroad, with a large part of its ancient cartography exhibits contributed by Dr. and Mrs. Karl Eandler of Vienna. He cited generous donations made

by the Mack and Michael Morrison Charitable Foundation of London, Mme. Lilian de Rothschild of Paris and Mr. John Cohen of London, as well as other donors. The Municipality had contributed IL250,000 towards the cost, the Municipal Engineer's office designed and planned the building and the Defence Ministry gave the plot. The museum has 2,000 square metres of exhibition space, a library and auditorium and a modern photographic laboratory. Haifa University's Maritime Studies Department will use its facilities. The museum, founded personally by Mr. Ben-El-Mechaieck, has until now been housed in cramped quarters in the old Sailors' Home, where but a few of its treasures could be exhibited.



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More in U.S. trying out marijuana

PRINCETON, New Jersey (AP). — The number of American adults who have experimented with marijuana has almost tripled in recent years, according to the Gallup Poll. But the majority of the public still feels the drug should remain illegal.

The poll indicated that 11 per cent of all Americans over 18 have smoked marijuana, an increase of 7 per cent over figures obtained through a similar poll in 1969. However, despite the growing use, an overwhelming 81 per cent of the public oppose legalization of marijuana. The study also indicated use is highest among persons aged 18 to 29, and "men are twice as likely to have tried marijuana as women, and persons with a college background are more likely to use it than those with less formal education," the spokesman said.

Inquiry opened on 'Jew dolls'

DIJON, France (AP). — Local and state judicial authorities have opened an investigation into how grotesque dolls, labelled "Jew" got on sale in supermarkets here.

The "Jew" dolls, displayed along with dolls called "witches" and "monkeys", were made in Germany. They were quickly taken off the shelves after protests from anti-racist organizations and the Catholic Church.

Player wins \$125,000 New Orleans event

GARY Player swept past Jack Nicklaus with a three-under-par 69 and won the \$125,000 Greater New Orleans Golf Tournament Sunday.

The 35-year-old Player claimed his 14th American title with a 72-hole total of 278 — nine under par on the 7,080-yard Lakewood Country Club Course.

Nicklaus, who at one stage held a two-stroke lead in the run for the \$25,000 first prize, struggled in with a 73 and was one-stroke back at 230.

Dave Eichelberger birdied the final hole in the cool and cloudy weather to tie Nicklaus for second. Eichelberger was one-under-par on the last round with a 71. Nicklaus, the only two-time winner his season, picked up \$11,753 and pushed his season money-winning total to \$109,651.

BASKETBALL

UCLA's Bruins, paced by Bill Walton, beat Florida State 81-76 Saturday afternoon for their sixth straight U.S. National Collegiate Basketball title.

The 6-foot-11 Walton scored 24 points, nailed down 20 rebounds and blocked four shots as U.C.L.A. completed its undefeated season with a 30-0 record and now has won 45 consecutive games.

Walton needed help early in the game, however, and got it from teammates Keith Wilkes and Henry Bibby after the surprising Semi-

notes from Florida State jumped into a 21-14 lead. The Bruins chipped away and when Walton finally began hitting, they moved to a 50-39 half-time advantage.

Florida State, surprise semi-final winners over North Carolina, got fine outside shooting from Ron King who had a total of 27 points. Royals and Ron Harris. Royals scored 13 before fouling out with less than two minutes to play and Harris scored 16.

Wilkes tallied 22 and Bibby 18 for the Bruins. In the consolation game for third place, North Carolina beat Louisville 105-91, as Robert Meadood scored 30 points and Dennis Wuyctik 27.

TENNIS

DILLIE Jean King used a combination of shots Sunday to win the \$18,000 Virginia Slims International Tennis Tournament with a 6-3, 6-4 victory over Nancy Richey Gunter.

Mrs. King collected \$3,400 for the victory, her second in seven tournaments on the tour this season. Mrs. Gunter earned \$2,000.

Kerry Melville of Australia whipped Rosemary Casals, U.S., 6-1, 6-4, to win third place and \$1,600. Miss Casals collected \$1,300.

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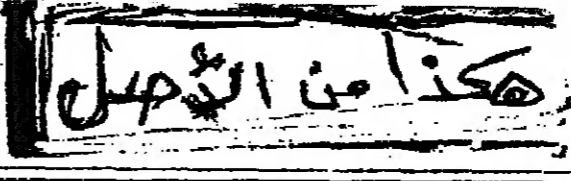
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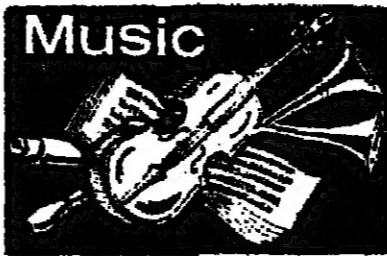
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'Aida' poses problems

The National Opera "Aida" opens by Giuseppe Verdi, produced by Ediz Rado; Music: Verdi; Libretto: Antonio Ghislanzoni; Conductor: László Roth; Choreography: Brifno Larrosa; Set: Yehoshua Lohman; Costumes: Yehoshua Lohman.

WITH "Aida" the National Opera undertook a most daring and ambitious project. "Aida" poses a great many demanding problems, whose satisfactory solution is necessary to the opera's success. However, from this performance, it appeared that the company had not coped with most of these problems successfully. With two exceptions — Metanya Davrath as Aida and Claudio Avella as Amonaso — both excellent — the cast of singers was most disappointing, although some of the others occasionally had their good moments.



I have no reservations whatsoever about baritone Avella. His voice is strong and pleasant, he alone had a strong sense of drama, and the scenes in which he participated were alive and stimulating.

Metanya Davrath has a beautiful voice and many of her passages were finely and sensitively formed, but her portrayal of "Aida" was painfully wrong. Aida is an emotional figure but a strong and noble lady who sacrifices herself out of conviction. Miss Davrath's Aida was weak in character and over sentimental, her misery evoking no sympathy.

Her partner, tenor Michelle Nardelli, was even less inspiring, because he could not impress with his voice, as Miss Davrath often did. His middle range is pleasant but beyond it his voice sounds squeezed and unpleasant. Dramatically, besides turning to and fro and adjusting his sword, he did not do very much on stage. Even the final scene, in which the two heroes are joined together in their last ordeal, was a complete failure, leaving the spectator completely unsatisfied.

Not very much can be said about three other parts. Naomi Plinkus, mezzo soprano, as Amneris, was undistinguished until the last act when she rallied. The two other parts, the high priest sung by David Cornwell, bass, and the King of Egypt sung by bass Chaim Feldman, were poor.

Two other shortcomings were the choir and the ballet. The choir did no justice to the music's majestic solemnity, and most of the singing sounded too thin or blurred in harmony. The ballet was childish and amateurish, the few acrobatic adventures of Prima Ballerina Anna Marie Happ adding nothing.

The only really bright spot was conductor Roth. The performance seemed well-rehearsed and the orchestra sounded much better than usual. BENJAMIN BAR-AM

Close to professional standards

"An Evening of Opera Scenes and Vocal Ensembles," presented by students of the Rubin Academy, Jerusalem, vocal department. Preparation and Musical Direction: Nimco Sargun and Aryo Zemanek; Stage Direction: Ben-Zion Lishchinsky; Set and Costumes: Larry Acovian, Jerusalem; March 25, 1972. Brahm's: Lieberliche-Walzer; Beethoven: "Fidelio" — Act One; Humperdinck: "Hansel and Gretel"; Act One, Scenes One and Three; Mozart: "The Magic Flute," Act One, Quintet; Act Two, Finale (Pepageno). INTERESTINGLY enough, of the 11 singers who participated in this presentation, only one or two are not new immigrants: all the others have pronounced "Anglo-Saxon" names and seem fairly recent arrivals. As the programme gave no indication of the time spent by individuals on the study of acting and voice production, only an overall impression can be registered.

In general, the presentations often approached professional standards; the staging and acting, considering the very limited means at the disposal of stage director Zemanek, were lively and appropriate; the costumes were mostly agreeable. Musical directors Sargun (for Brahms and Humperdinck) and Zemanek (for Beethoven and Mozart) had invested a great amount of work in the preparation, and both contributed fine accompaniments to the scenes, replacing the missing orchestra at the piano.

In the Brahms Waltzes, Chlo Grossmeyer (the only "veteran" in

the whole cast) stood out easily with her well-developed voice and assured stage presence. A good second was Bonnie Glasgow (without a Scottish accent!), who possesses a promising voice and looks charming. Another acting talent in the making seems to be Pina Schwartz, whose voice still needs more training. Robin Wiesel, sounding in temperament, already exhibits the volume and application of a good soprano. Smaller parts were sung by Helen Kamloer (as the Dew Fairy), Judi Axelrod and Hanna Dubrofsky.

Of the men, Shelley Abrams produced a pleasant tenor in the Brahms and Steven Perstein acted the silly part of Jacquino adequately and gave dignity to Tamino, dressed as a cross between an Egyptian prince and a Roman senator. Bass Simon Amar had difficulty in making himself heard (in the Waltzes) and Izy Borenstein was a complete loss as Rocco, but showed a talent for comedy as Papageno.

But it was all done in good spirits and with the best of intentions, providing a useful view of the work going on in the vocal department of the Rubin Academy. It showed a definite improvement over previous standards, and the spirited earnestness of the directors promises a much-needed rise in the level of the acting and ensemble work of a new generation of singers. YOCHANAN BORHM

Readers' letters

BREACH OF POLICY

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I refer to your report of the tragic accident near the Motza bridge yesterday, where five persons lost their lives. It is indeed lamentable that the authorities have not seen fit to correct what is most obviously an error in road design on this treacherous stretch. You mention a further mishap at the very same spot an hour before the accident, and yet another crash on the same stretch within half an hour of the accident. On Monday of last week there was yet another serious accident which resulted in a bloodstained, concurred taxi. On Wednesday an articulated lorry ran through the stone wall on the Motza bridge, and so on *ad infinitum*. I drive on this stretch daily and I have reached the stage that if I do not see any signs of a crash I really wonder whether I have taken the wrong road.

It is the general consensus of opinion of immigrants and visitors to Israel that the native Israeli driver is without any doubt the most careless, aggressive, inconsiderate and suicidal driver in the world today. Some weeks ago you reported that no less than 20,000 people had been killed on the roads in 20 years — it would appear that the Israeli driving licence is considered by many a licence to kill. I will never understand why it is that if an Israeli soldier is killed on the border the whole country is up in arms and the incident makes the headlines, yet the endless killing on the roads has become so much part of our daily lives it now needs five dead in a crash to make the headlines.

Would it not be possible for the Israeli press to make a massive safe driving campaign in headline form — this is surely as important as much of the news we read today. I am sure that many others like myself would be happy to subscribe to such a cause. Wishing you a long life.

JOE GOODMAN
Mevaseret Zion, March 21.

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I was stunned to hear our elected Knesset declare that "the historic right of the Jewish People to the Land of Israel is beyond challenge."

What has happened to the previous pledge to strive for negotiations "without prior conditions"? Is not "beyond challenge" a prior condition? This statement sounds more like the voice of the Land of Israel movement than that of a House that has claimed to do all in its power to achieve peace.

I fear this is a grave breach of policy and a dangerous obstacle in the road to settlement. If such a road ever existed its length has been multiplied.

When I saw Mr. Regia beaming on the television screen I knew that my worst fears had been justified. This is obviously what he always wanted. This is also just what our enemies need to prove that we have no serious intentions of entering any settlement.

What a pity that we have no opposition in the Knesset that offers any serious alternative. This would be the time for a motion of no confidence.

HAROLD SHAN-COHEN
Kfar Shmaryahu, March 19.

MEETING THE RIGHT BUT NOT THE LEFT

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I find it hard to understand how our Prime Minister, Mrs. Golda Meir, found it correct to receive a group of high school students — defined in The Post as having right-wing political leanings — while having refused to long ago to meet with a group of professors who wished to see her on matters of no less moment than those of the students.

MARIO WEINGART
Netanya, March 16.

NEGEV RAILWAY

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In your issue of March 19, you publish a statement by a Dr. Ya'acov Bach, describing Professor Edgar Salin "who first came to Israel in 1953" as "the principal protagonist of the Trans-Negev railway line" and stating that the project for a railway between the Mediterranean and the Red Sea was "first conceived by a former West German Minister of Transport, the late Hans-Christoph Seebohm."

These statements are historically without foundation. In March 1955, as Minister of Development, I invited an outstanding American engineer, Mr. John S. Cotton, who had built a railway line in South Korea at the instance of the U.S. authorities, to examine the possibility and economic advisability of laying a railway line from Sdon to Eilat, which would be connected with our existing line from BeerSheva. Mr. Cotton submitted a most favourable report, explaining why such a railway would be one of the best paying in the world. I submitted this report to our Government and warmly supported it. Regrettably, our Treasury was not prepared to grant it priority in view of the State's numerous pressing financial needs and our usual lack of funds. Mr. M. Ben-Tov, who succeeded me at the Ministry of Development in November 1955, also urged the Government to build this railway.

DOV JOSEPH
Jerusalem, March 19.

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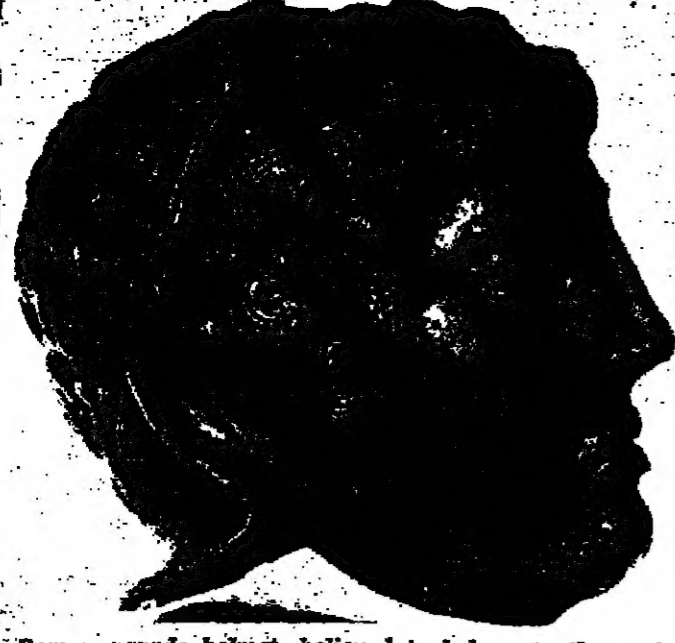
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Bitter, black comedy of World War II

SEPP: Heller's savage gruesomely funny anti-war book based on his experiences as a bomber in World War II has been made into a memorable film Catch 22 (Allenby, Tel Aviv) that retains all of the black, bitter humour of the original. Tensely adapted for screen by Buck Henry and brilliantly directed by Mike Nichols, first-rate cast is headed by Alan Arkin, who gives a remarkable performance as Captain Yossarian. Afernumable bombing missions haunted by a recent sortie in which his plane was hit and a crew member killed, Yossarian wants to get out. He pleads insanity — but anybody who wants to get out is obviously sane. He has to stay in. That's Catch 22.

The scene is a U.S. Air Force base in the Mediterranean. Colonel heart (Martin Balsam) madly ups the number of flying missions while Major Danby (Richard Benjamin) sends the boys off with ear-voiced messages and the Chaplain (Anthony Perkins) tries vainly to cover up his ineptitude. When a man is told to bomb Ferrara, Italian town, he drops the bombs on the sea, and earns a decoration as the only alternative would be to court-martial the whole squadron.

The crazy happenings continue: Major (Bob Newhart) puts on a shtetl monstache; General Dreedle (Ronald Reagan) marches in and out the base like an enraged hippopotamus; Milo Minderbinder (Jon Slight) concentrates on black market operations.

One by one Yossarian's companions disappear. One is killed when his plane goes too low over



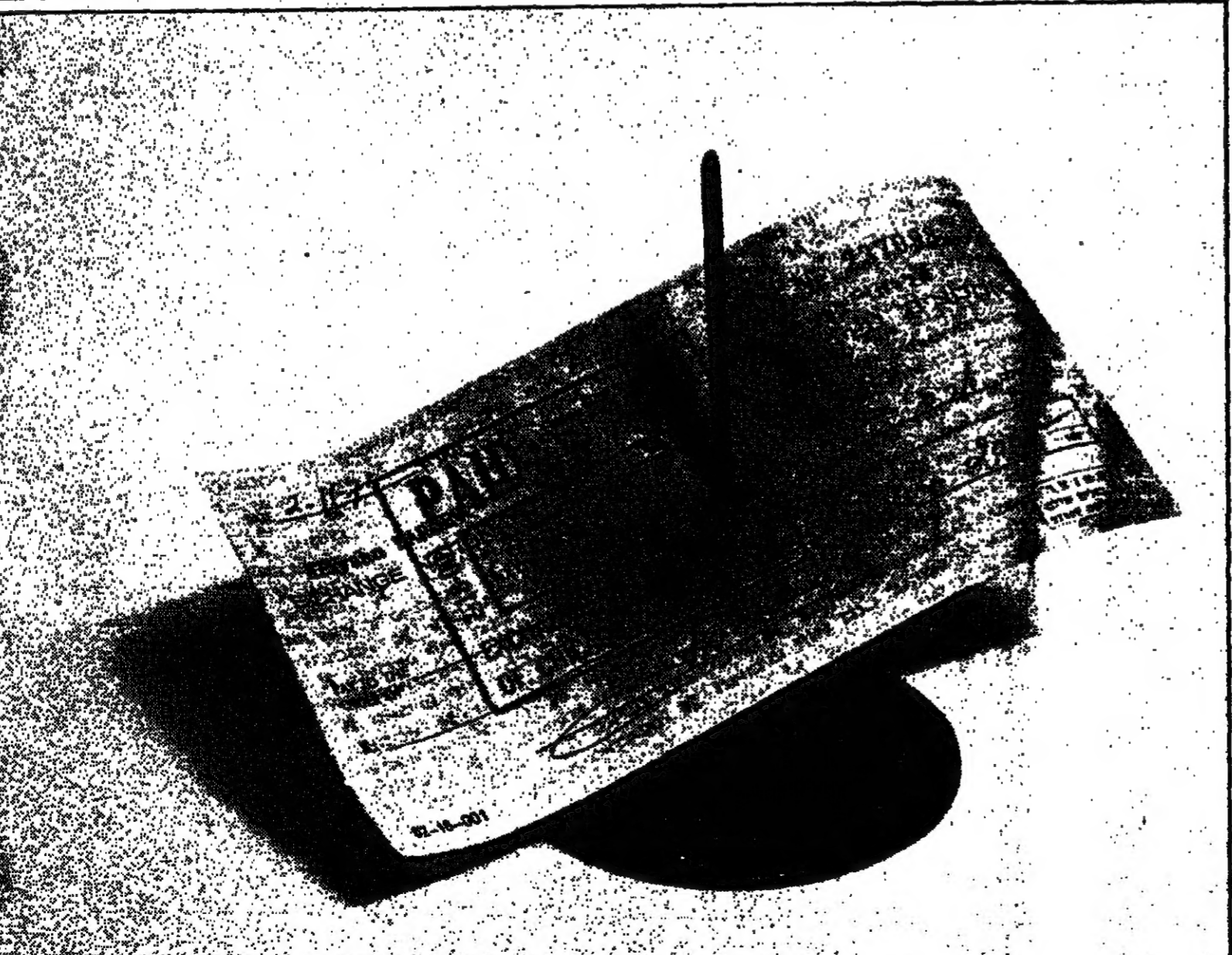
At the Cinema

a swimming raft. Nineteen-year-old Natley (Arthur Garfunkel), engaged to an Italian prostitute, is killed in a raid. In a brothel, a 107-year-old pimp (Marcel Dalio) tells Natley how he has managed to survive and asks the young man how old he is. "I'll be 20 in January" says Natley. "If you live," says the pimp.

Dusty Harry (Ophir, Tel Aviv) is Inspector Callahan (Clint Eastwood) of the San Francisco Police Force. His nickname comes from the fact that he gets most of the unpleasant assignments and is not too choosy in his methods. The city is terrorized by a homicidal maniac who has kidnapped a young girl and is holding her for ransom. The mayor is for paying the ransom, but instead of delivering the money Callahan decides to trap the murderer.

The film is dedicated to the San Francisco Police Force, listing the number of men who have been killed while on duty, and it emphasizes the dangers and frustrations of a policeman's life.

Clint Eastwood is toughly good in his role and Andy Robinson turns in a first-class performance as the psychopathic killer. Don Siegel ("The Killers," "Madigan") concentrates direction and photography on getting the maximum of excitement.



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Sunken trawler to be returned to Lebanon

by YA'AOOV FREEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter
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had not been carrying any fishing tackle, which raised the suspicion...

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The boat was brought to the Kishon fishing harbour here to be repaired...

The Ministry had acquiesced to the request and informed the fishermen...

The fishermen noted that during the many months she had been lying at the bottom of the lagoon...

It remains a mystery how after no one displayed any interest in the sunken boat for two years...

I.D.F. to be stronger than ever: Yariv

AVIV. — The Israel Defence Forces will be stronger than ever in coming year, Aluf Aharon Yariv...

9th Maccabiah limited to Jewish athletes

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The 9th Maccabiah games, to take place in July 1973...

Runaway Vienna boy gets 2-week paid vacation

LOD AIRPORT. — A 17-year-old boy who ran away from his home in Vienna...

Rhodesia excluded from bowling games

LONDON (Reuter). — Rhodesia's entry for the World Bowls Championships...

Foreign Office appointments

The Foreign Ministry yesterday announced the appointments of Mr. Arian Belin as Ambassador...

Jerusalem writer to lecture in Germany

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Gideon Welgert, Jerusalem writer on Arab affairs...

Boys hurt playing with live bullets

TIBERIAS. — Two local 11-year-old boys were injured slightly yesterday when some bullets they were playing with exploded.



The blazing dining hall at Kibbutz Ramat Rahel, which was nearly gutted early Monday morning. The kitchen was completely destroyed.

Fire causes IL200,000 damage at Ramat Rahel

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Members of Kibbutz Ramat Rahel at the southern edge of Jerusalem...

Arabic subtitles for full-length film—finally

Jerusalem Post Reporter
The James Bond thriller "Diamonds are Forever" will become the first full-length film to be shown with both Hebrew and Arabic subtitles...

President's House to get mezuza in ceremony today

Jerusalem Post Reporter
President Shazar will affix the mezuza to the door of his new residence this morning...

Agitation on immigrants 'endangers fund-raising'

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Jewish Agency Treasurer Arye Dulzin warned yesterday that agitation against immigrants in Israel could seriously endanger fund-raising efforts...

26 academics seized in Morocco

RABAT (Reuter). Twenty-six intellectuals, including professors and students, have been arrested and charged with threatening internal state security...

25 Peru children die of colon inflammation

LIMA (Reuter). Twenty-five children have died in an outbreak of enterocolitis following floods around the northern Peruvian city of Piura...

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FILM AND TV DIRECTORS convened in Tel Aviv

Jerusalem Post Reporter
A meeting of film and television directors was convened in Tel Aviv Sunday night to discuss the possibility of organizing a professional union...

Doctors call off I.M.F. mission warns against inflationary pressure

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Israel's doctors did not come out on a three-day strike yesterday after all. At talks which went on until four a.m. at the Health Ministry...

An International Monetary Fund delegation wound up its three-week visit in Israel yesterday with a warning against the possible build-up of inflationary pressures on the economy during 1972.

No end seen to congestion in Haifa, Ashdod

Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — The congestion surcharges imposed on Haifa and Ashdod ports by the shipping conferences on January 20...

Solution seen in radio dispute

A solution appeared in sight yesterday to the dispute between the 50 technicians of Israel Radio and the management...

Higher rates announced for shipping routes

Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — Considerable rises in freight rates on various routes were announced by the Shippers Council last night.

Shares sag, then pick up

Jerusalem Post Financial Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Prices softened somewhat in the opening hours yesterday but most shares picked up later.

J'mem police probe into claims that suspect was beaten

Jerusalem Post Reporter
A police officer has been appointed by the Jerusalem command to investigate charges by a burglary suspect...

Foreign Exchange

Table with columns for currency (Dollar, DM, Swiss Fr., Yen, Fine gold) and exchange rates. Includes interest rates for 3 months and 12 months.

WALL STREET Closing Monday, March 27, 1972

Market slips in slow trading

Table listing various stocks and their prices, including American Express, Coca-Cola, and others.

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Table listing various international stocks and their prices, including Shell, BP, and others.

Advertisement for 'PASSOVER SEDER' at Sheraton-Tel Aviv Hotel, including details about the event and contact information.

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West Bank elections today

By ANAN SAFADI
Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

Polls open today in 10 West Bank towns for the first municipal elections in eight years. A total of 16,550 voters are eligible to vote for local councils in nine towns in Samaria — among them Nablus, Jenin and Tulkarm — and in one Judean town — Jericho. May 2 is slated as the election date in the rest of Judea.

The last elections were held in 1953 under the Jordanian administration.

With attention focused on the issue of the future of the Israeli-administered territories, today's elections have aroused world-wide interest. An estimated 100 newsmen will be covering the event, amid speculation that the vote might be a prelude to the promotion of an elected political leadership which would be granted some kind of autonomy.

Observers here stressed that the elections were confined to the municipal level. They saw their main political significance in the fact that they were being held despite protests from the Arab capitalists and the threats of terrorist organizations, pointing up Israel's firm presence in the administered territories.

The turnout is expected to be

heavy in most towns, including Nablus, where thousands of local residents yesterday signed petitions at City Hall supporting the incumbent council's decision to stand in the elections. The semi-referendum turned into a preliminary vote of confidence in Mayor Haj Ma'asous al-Masri and eight of his colleagues, who registered as candidates yesterday.

The election campaign was in full swing yesterday in the larger towns, low-keyed in the smaller ones, and almost non-existent in the villages.

For almost all candidates the vote was a matter of personal prestige, as this would appear to be the first election in which the traditional leadership is being challenged by representatives of less influential families and by individuals.

In Nablus, 24 candidates are competing for the city's 6,579 votes to win a place in the 12-man municipal council (of which 10 members are elected and two appointed by the Government in accordance with Jordanian law).

In Tulkarm, 18 candidates, including members of the incumbent council, are running in two rival slates for the nine-member council.

The town has 2,516 eligible voters. In Kalkiya, the incumbent eight-man council is competing with a seven-man slate for the town's 1,989 voters. In Jenin, where the incumbent council is also running, 16 candidates are competing in four slates for the town's 1,472 votes to gain slates on the eight-man council.

For Toubas' eight-man council, there are 13 candidates running in two slates and competing for the town's 860 votes. Other polling sites are at Ya'abad, with an eight-man council, 13 candidates, two slates and 657 votes; Saltit, with a seven-man council, nine candidates, two slates and 587 votes; Arrabe, with a 10-man council, 14 candidates in two slates, and 467 votes and Anabta, where seven candidates are running for the village's seven-seat council — thus assuring their election.

Jericho has 16 candidates in five rival slates competing for the town's 1,362 votes in seeking seats on the eight-man council. Jericho is likely to witness a lively race as several candidates are seeking to bring down the incumbent mayor, Taher 'Abdo, who was still waging a hard fight yesterday to rally the old timers behind him.



The family of Rav-Seren Shraga Tal — including their three-week-old infant — who were among the first Israelis to arrive here from Uganda, on Sunday night.

Reservists back down in army booklet protest

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

TEL AVIV. — Eleven of the 14 Jerusalem reservists who turned in their army booklets to the Prime Minister's Office have asked for and received them back; the Chief of the Army's Manpower Division, Aluf Shimon Lahat, told military correspondents here yesterday.

The remaining three men are risking disciplinary action unless they retrieve their booklets before the day of their trial.

Aluf Lahat revealed that he had personally convened the 14, following prior consultations with the Chief of Staff, "in view of the gravity of the unprecedented step these young men had taken."

A few days later the first three men phoned and requested that their booklets be returned to them. The others followed in short order.

The Chief of Staff, Rav-Aluf David Elasar, added: "We did not want to permit political use to be made of army booklets in Israel, as is being done in some countries. The I.D.F. belongs to all, serves all, and must remain isolated from internal struggles."

WOMAN, 72, KILLED BY BUS

TEL AVIV. — A 72-year-old woman was killed Sunday evening, hit by a bus, as she was crossing Behov Gahel-Tobelet in Herzliya Pituakh.

She was Adele Finkelshteyn, who lived at the professionals' absorption hostel there. The driver of the bus was detained for interrogation.

BOY, 6, DIES IN FREAK ACCIDENT

A six-year-old Ramallah boy died yesterday when he slipped and accidentally cut his jugular vein on a piece of glass while climbing down a hill.

The boy, Majid Altahata of Katz Ramallah, died of loss of blood on the way to hospital. (Itim)

Sharef: Housing rose 28.9 p.c. last year

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

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The Housing Minister noted that aid will have to be extended to 7,500 young couples in 1972 in addition to the 5,000 couples living with their parents. The only solution to the housing crisis was industrialization, Mr. Sharef said. He dismissed rental housing as a general solution, saying the amount of investment required was so great that rents on such homes would be prohibitive. Nor did he discuss the recent proposal that the State Lands Administration release land to bring prices down.

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High Court declares marriage valid of cohen and halutz

By DAVID LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A cohen and a halutz were married in a ceremony declared legally man and wife by the High Court of Justice in Jerusalem yesterday. By a two-to-one decision, the Court decided that, since the rabbinical courts were "dragging their feet" over the case, the High Court would step in and issue a declaratory judgment.

The episode began in September 1970, when Shmuel Cohen and Batya Kedat were married before witnesses in a private ceremony. He is a cohen and she was the widow of an Air Force pilot who went though halutz with her late husband's brother (and thus, under Jewish law, became ineligible to marry a cohen — like a divorced woman). Halutz is the procedure which exempts the widow from having to marry her late husband's brother, a condition required if she has had no children.

Under Jewish law a cohen must not marry a divorcee or a woman who has had to go through halutz. If, however, they do marry, the marriage is valid and recognized under Jewish law.

Following their marriage, the couple applied to the Tel Aviv Rabbinical Court for a ruling that they were legally married — or, alternatively, that they were single. This started the "long and arduous path of the couple," in the words of Justice Barons, who wrote the majority judgment. The rabbinical court put off the proceedings time and again, and the couple eventually applied to the High Court of Justice.

The High Court last month issued an order nisi against the rabbinical court, but ordered the couple to return to the religious court, which had intimated that it was ready to take up the case again. The rabbinical court decided that the couple could not be registered as married, since the witnesses were not proven to be observant Jews.

The couple returned to the High Court, which this time sent them to the Supreme Rabbinical Court. The latter upheld the decision of the lower religious court, adding, that there seemed to be a contradiction between the witnesses as to the order of the two sections of the marriage ceremony (the giving of the ring and the reciting of the words "You are hereby married to me under the Law of Moses and Israel"). The Rabbinical Supreme Court ordered that the witnesses be re-examined.

At this point the High Court agreed to hear the case itself. The majority decision, stressing the drawn-out trek the couple had to cover between the various courts, says: "It seems that we imposed on the rabbis a task too difficult for them to carry out, a task which they cannot or do not want to fulfil."

The judgment recalls that the

High Court of Justice has already ruled that the standard of religious observance of witnesses is not to be considered an obstacle to post facto recognition of a marriage. The public interest demands that the status of the couple — and of the child which has been born to them — should be resolved, the court stated. It ordered accordingly that they be registered as man and wife.

The dissenting judgment of Justice Kahana says that the processes of the religious courts had not yet been exhausted, and ought to be continued. As to the contention that the couple had to suffer

Remanded for bid to blackmail reporter-suspect

TEL AVIV. — An amateur detective and a former television reporter were remanded for seven days by the Magistrate's Court here yesterday, on suspicion of attempting to blackmail a newspaper reporter.

Micha Mitzpuz, a carpenter who doubles as a detective, and Ran Adelst, a kibbutznik who had worked as an Israel television reporter, are accused of demanding IL30,000 from "Ma'ariv" reporter Eli Landau, in return for withholding information they had concerning the theft of pesticides from Hamashbir Hamerkazi and from Hagaria (a private firm). Mr. Landau has been charged in connection with the Hagaria theft, and the case is pending in the Tel Aviv District Court.

Mitzpuz claimed the offer to Landau was a spurious one, designed to test whether or not Landau was really connected with the theft. Because of his past success in solving such cases (which he attributes to the fact that his methods do not always "conform with the law"), he was asked to investigate the theft from Hagaria and the other places, since most of the chemicals — valued at more than IL250,000 — were not recovered. He decided to investigate the possible involvement of Landau, and of Shimon Rimon ("Kushi").

Agency official declares Zar'it had it good

Jerusalem Post Reporter

SAFAD. — The regional director of the Jewish Agency's Settlement Department, Ya'acov Arad, charged yesterday that economic difficulties had not been the reason for the Zar'it settlers abandoning their village.

He attributed their move to their failure to create a "well-knit society" in the village, and to the failure of their leadership to stand up to internal pressures. (The 39 families left their homes for a week on Sunday, demanding aid to improve their economic situation. They threatened more drastic steps if their demands were not met within the week.)

At a press conference here, Mr. Arad said the settlers' annual income totalled IL100,000, of which IL750 a month per family was tax free, while they paid no rent for their homes. The average family had three children. Their economic situation, Mr. Arad said, is "reasonable" and better than that of some other villages in the region.

He noted that his Department had invested IL500,000 to establish milk farms for seven families, three of whom had neglected theirs, while each of the others was earning some IL5,000 annually from them. "We have done the maximum for Zar'it," he said.

HAPOEL BEATS SWEDEN 2:1

TEL AVIV. — Jerusalem Hapoel yesterday beat the visiting Swedish team, F.C. Hammarby, 2:1 in a match played in starry weather in the Capital.

Jerusalem's scorers were Shlomo Mizrahi in the 26th minute and Eliahu Hod in the 68th minute. The Swedes pulled back a goal seven minutes before the end, when Melston netted.

Finance Min. denies data-collecting charge

Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir, questioned yesterday about items appearing in Knesset Member Shlomo Cohen's new book, denied that anyone was engaged in collecting information for him on other parties or in any similar activity. Mr. Sapir added that he did not receive material of this kind from anyone.

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his case should be brought before some civilian administration disciplinary body.

The basic charges levelled against the officers were that they had taken steps without obtaining the prior approval of the G.H.Q. for the operation and that this had included the fencing off of sizeable areas (some 20,000 dunams south of the highway bisecting the area, and the partial fencing of an additional 40,000 dunams to the north of the road).

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ARRIVALS

Professor Gertrude Sponson, President of the Israel Academy of Sciences in Sweden, will arrive in Jerusalem next week.

Mr. Paul Borker, chairman of U.J.A., Mr. Irving Bernstein, executive chairman, and Mr. Laurence Tisch of the Greater New York area, will arrive here for the Passover day and on U.P.A. business.

Passover preparations

The traditional Passover pilgrimage to Jerusalem, organized by Religious Affairs Ministry, will take place on Monday, April 30. Minis officials will be on hand at the Jerusalem railway station at 12 noon to greet the arriving pilgrims.

For those driving to Jerusalem for the holiday, a 500-space parking lot near Beit Tausan (outside the Jaffa Gate) will be ready tomorrow morning.

For the hundred thousand holiday-makers, expected to head for the Nature Reserves during Passover, Reserves Authority announced yesterday that it was opening an information bureau at Sharm E-Shefi. The Authority reminded prospective visitors that Elit Gur is protected by law and that anyone caught smuggling flowers or sea animals out of there would be prosecuted.

The railways announced that passenger trains would follow the Friday timetable tomorrow (March 2) and next Tuesday (April 4), and Saturday timetable on the evening of the festival days (March 30 & April 5). The normal week-day schedule will be followed on the days in between.

PESAH RUSH AT AIRPORT

LOD AIRPORT. — With some 6,200 tourists arriving Sunday as the Pesah rush mounted, incoming travellers here had to wait from 15 minutes to an hour for their baggage, and many were forced to carry their belongings themselves to the customs counters.

In the airport's effort to meet the rush, all leave was cancelled Sunday night for airport police, as 21 men were put to work on passenger control.

Airport officials said they would do all they could to shorten delays. Later last night it was announced that 5,000 tourists had arrived on flights during the day. (Itim)